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1. Some followers of Ante Pavelic are reported to be making plans for organizing a group in Buenos Aires to be known as The Croatian Intellectuals' Club, of which Dr. Mile Starcevic and Dr. Eduard Bulat are the most active promoters.\* Although the group is opposed to Pavelic's leadership of the Croats, it agrees with him in advocating an independent Croatian state. All Croats who wish to join the club must declare their agreement to this principle. About 15,000 pesos are reported to have been collected for the purchase or rental of quarters for the club.
2. About the first of October 1951 a new Croat magazine published in Buenos Aires made its appearance. It is called Republika Hrvatska (The Croatian Republic) and is the organ of the Partido Croata Republicano (Croat Republican Party).
3. The magazine is said to be the personal creation of Professor Ivan Orsanic, who was an official in Pavelic's Independent State of Croatia (1941-1944) and has subsequently been identified with groups opposed to Pavelic's leadership.\*\* Chief assistant in the publication of the magazine is Antonio Orsanic, younger brother of Ivan.\*\*\*

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Comment. Starcevic was Director of the Office of Popular Education of the Independent State of Croatia, and in 1943 was named Minister of Education by Pavelic.

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